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In response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks.

This response contains amendments to the claims and remarks.